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INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT who	•	this Report*	
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OATH OR	AFFIRMATION
1. Kobest C. Lituis	, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of
my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial states	
of December 31, 20	64 _, are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that
neither the company nor any partner, proprietor, principal	officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account
classified solely as that of a customer, except as follows:	
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Notary Public NOT	ARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY
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(d) Statement of Changes in Financial Condition.	
(e) Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or P	
(f) Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to	Claims of Creditors.
(g) Computation of Net Capital.	. D D. I. 15 1.2
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	d Statements of Financial Condition with respect to methods of
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(I) An Oath or Affirmation.	
(m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.	
(n) A report describing any material inadequacies found	to exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audit.

<sup>\*\*</sup>For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER, 2004 AND

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Stockholder of Alternative Wealth Strategies

I have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Alternative Wealth Strategies as of December 31, 2004 and the related statements of income, changes in shareholders' equity, changes in liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors, and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as, evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Alternative Wealth Strategies as of December 31, 2004, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

ROBERT LITWIN

Certified Public Accountant

Westville, New Jersey March, 2005

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION DECEMBER 31, 2004

ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 6,331
Commissions receivable	420
Investment in securities	0
Total Assets	<u>\$ 6,751</u>
LIABILITIES	
Commissions payable	357
Total Liabilities	357
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES	0
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	
Common stock, 500 no par value shares authorized,	
issued and outstanding	5
Additional paid in capital	16,668
Retained Earnings	(10,279)
Total Shareholders' Equity	6,394
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	<u>\$ 6,751</u>

## STATEMENT OF INCOME DECEMBER 31, 2004

REVENUE	
Commission income	\$ 41,832
Due Diligence Fee	1,000
Total Revenue	42,832
EXPENSES	
Commission	37,474
CRD Filing Fees	5,677
Office Expense	9,945

Bank Fees

Total expenses

Net Income

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\$(10,279)

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

	Comm	on St	<u>ock</u>	Additional Paid in	Retained	Total Shareholder's	
	<u>Shares</u>	Am	ount	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Earnings</u>	Equity	
Balances, January 1, 2005	500	\$	5	11,995	0	\$ 12,000	
Plus: Net income for the year			0	4,673	(10,279)	(5,606)	
Less: Distributions			0	0	0	0	
Balances, December 31, 2005	500	\$	5	16,668	(10,279)	\$ 6,394	

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN LIABILITIES SUBORDINATED TO CLAIMS OF GENERAL CREDITORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

None

#### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2004

CASH FLOWS PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net income	\$(10,279)	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash		
used in operating activities:		
Unrealized gain on securities	0	
Changes in:		
Commissions receivable	420	
Accrued expenses		* * MARIE
Commissions payable	(357)	
Net cash provided by/(consumed in) operations	(10,216)	
CASH FLOWS USED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Increase in investment in securities	0	
Purchase of equipment	0	
Net cash used by investing activities	0	
CASH FLOWS USED BY FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Shareholder distribution	0	
Increase in additional paid in capital	4,673	
Net cash used by financing activities	4,673	
		1.5.9303
NET CASH INCREASE/(DECREASE)	(5,543)	
CASH – Beginning of year	11,874	
CASH – End of year	<u>\$ 6,331</u>	

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

Alternative Wealth Strategies (the "Company") conducts business as a broker/dealer in syndicated limited partnerships and securities with registered representatives throughout the United States.

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

- A. Use of estimates The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.
- B. Property and equipment Property and equipment are carried at cost.

  Depreciation is provided using the straight-line method over periods of five and seven years.
- C. Income taxes The Company has filed elections pursuant to Subchapter S of the Internal Revenue Code and corresponding state statutes, and accordingly, any Federal and most State income taxes due or tax benefits derived are the responsibility of the shareholders.
- D. Statement of cash flows For purposes of the statements of cash flows, the Company considers all highly liquid investments purchased with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

#### 2. NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission uniform net capital rule (15c3-1), which requires the maintenance of a minimum amount of net capital and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, shall not exceed 12.5 to 1, during the first year of business. Rule 15c3-1 also provides that equity capital may not be withdrawn or cash dividends paid if the resulting net capital ratio would exceed 12.5 to 1. At December 31, 2004, the Company had net capital and net capital requirements of \$5,995 and \$6,281 respectively. The ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital was .82 to 1.

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON THE SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

To the Shareholder of Alternative Wealth Strategies

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of Alternative Wealth Strategies as of and for the year ended December 31, 2004, and have issued our report thereon dated March, 2005. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplementary information contained in Schedules 1 through 5 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by Rule 17a-5 of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

ROBERT LITWIN

Certified Public Accountant

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Westville, New Jersey March, 2005

#### Schedule 1

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#### ALTERNATIVE WEALTH STRATEGIES

#### COMPUTATION OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS AND NET CAPITAL UNDER RULE 15c3-1

#### **DECEMBER 31, 2004**

#### AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS Payables Commissions payable 357 Total aggregate indebtedness 357 Minimum dollar requirement \$ 5,000 Minimum required net capital \$ 5,000 **NET CAPITAL** Shareholders' equity \$ 6,394 Deductions: Non-allowable assets 0 Other securities 0 Security deposit 0 Property and equipment – net 0 Haircuts on other securities 6,394 Net capital Less: Minimum required net capital \$ 5,000 Capital in excess of minimum requirement \$ 1,394 RATIO OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS TO

**NET CAPITAL** 

## RECONCILIATION OF THE COMPUTATION OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS AND NET CAPITAL WITH THAT OF THE REGISTRANT AS FILED IN PART IIA OF FORM X-17A-5

**DECEMBER 31, 2004** 

There are no material differences from the computation of aggregate indebtedness and net capital as per Schedule 1 and that included in the Company's Part IIA (unaudited) FOCUS report.

## COMPUTATION FOR DETERMINATION OF RESERVE REQUIREMENTS PURSUANT TO RULE 15C3-3

**DECEMBER 31, 2004** 

Not applicable.

#### Schedule 4

#### ALTERNATIVE WEALTH STRATEGIES

## INFORMATION RELATING TO POSSESSION OR CONTROL REQUIREMENTS UNDER RULE 15C3-3

**DECEMBER 31, 2004** 

Not applicable.

# RECONCILIATION OF THE COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL UNDER RULE 15C3-1 AND THE COMPUTATION FOR DETERMINATION OF THE RESERVE REQUIREMENTS UNDER EXHIBIT A OF RULE 15C3-3

**DECEMBER 31, 2004** 

Not applicable.

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#### <u>INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT</u> ON INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROL REQUIRED BY SEC RULE 17a-5

To the Shareholder of Alternative Wealth Strategies

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Alternative Wealth Strategies for the year ending December 31, 2004, I considered its internal control structure, including procedures for safeguarding securities, in order to determine my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure.

I also made a study of the practices and procedures followed by the Company in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness and net capital under Rule 17a-3(a)(11) and the procedures for determining compliance with the exemptive provisions of Rule 15c3-3. I did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company in making the quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications and comparisons, and the recordation of differences required by Rule 17a-13 or in complying with the requirements for prompt payment for securities under Section 8 of Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, because the Company does not carry security accounts for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities.

The management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure and the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of internal control structure policies and procedures and of the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph and to assess whether those practices and procedures can be expected to achieve the Commission's abovementioned objectives. Two of the objectives of an internal control structure and the practices and procedures are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets for which the Company has responsibility are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Rule 17a(-g(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.

Because of inherent limitations in any internal control structure, or the practices and procedures referred to above, errors or irregularities may occur and not be detected. Also, protection of any evaluation of them to future periods is subject to the risk that they may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of their design and operation may deteriorate.

My consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of the specific internal control elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. However, I noted no matters involving the internal control structure that I consider to be a material weaknesses as defined above.

I understand that practices and procedures that accomplish the objectives referred to in the second paragraph of this report are considered by the Commission to be adequate for its purposes in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and related regulations, and that practices and procedures that do not accomplish such objectives in all material respects indicate a material inadequacy for such purposes. Based on this understanding and on my study, I believe that the Company's practices and procedures were adequate at December 31, 2004, to meet the Commission's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the use of management, the Securities and Exchange Commission, the New York Stock Exchange and other regulatory agencies which rely on Rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and should not be used for any other purpose.

ROBERT LITWIN

Certified Public Accountant

Westville, New Jersey March, 2005